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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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M. ROSIER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1647
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Application No.: 10/087,782) Examiner: F.M. HAMUD
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Filed: March 5, 2002)
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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS OF THE HUMAN)
ABCC11 GENE, VECTORS)
CONTAINING SUCH NUCLEIC)
ACIDS AND USES THEREOF)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In a Restriction Requirement dated May 23, 2003, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-7, 17-24, 30, 31, 35, and 40, drawn to an isolated nucleic acid molecule, comprising a specific nucleotide sequence, which encodes a specific amino acid sequence, a vector comprising said nucleic acid, and a host cell comprising said nucleic acid molecule;

Group II: Claims 8-16, drawn to a method of amplifying a region of a nucleic acid, a kit to be used in said amplification method, and a method for detecting a nucleic acid by contacting the nucleic acid with a nucleic acid reagent that hybridizes to said nucleic acid and a kit to be used in the method;

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